

All students must complete a Senior Project by the end of grade twelve (12) as a part of the District's high school graduation requirements. The project must include a written report and an oral presentation. According to IDAPA 08.02.03.105.0, this policy is effective for all Idaho public school students who enter high school at the 9<sup>th</sup> grade level in Fall 2009 or later. Additional requirements for a Senior Project are at the discretion of the local school district or LEA (as outlined herein).

~~The Aadvisory designated teachers~~ will serve as the student advisors for the Senior Project. The Senior Project proposal will begin during the sophomore year for current students (may be later for transfer students) after participation in the District's designated career information system. Idaho Career Information System (CIS). Each school will supply a Senior Project Booklet/Packet which will contain additional information, checklists, guidelines, and tentative due dates.

### **The Five Components of the Senior Project:**

#### **1. THE PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The project proposal is a one-page flyer explaining your project's purpose.

#### **2. THE PAPER**

The process paper will be completed during your senior year. The paper will prove a specific thesis. Your paper will need to follow the MLA documentation style (for Mt. Harrison APA style) and be two-five pages in length (for Mt. Harrison 1250-1500 words). The paper must also include a reference page (not part of the word count).

#### **3. THE PROJECT**

Requirements-

- No Eagle Scout or 4-H Projects will be accepted unless it can be expanded upon and receives prior approval
- No group projects, all projects are individual
- Students must not be compensated (paid) for the project
- Relatives cannot be mentors
- Research must be involved
- Must relate to a career cluster

You may choose from the following career clusters-

- Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Arts & Communication
- Business & Management

- Engineering & Industrial Systems
- Health Sciences
- Human Resources
- Other: see the National Career Cluster  
<http://www.pte.idaho.gov/Clusters/ClustersNational.html>

Project Examples-

A Physical Product	Painting, scientific model, fashion outfit, computer program, rebuilt engine, cabinet, etc.
A Written Product	Short story, book of poetry, novelette, newspaper articles, etc.
A Performance	Dance or singing recital, theatrical production, video creation, produce a fashion show, etc.
A Teaching or Leadership Experience	Teach junior high health classes about teen alcoholism, coach a little league team, etc.
A Physical Experience	Learn to scuba dive, run a marathon, start a fitness program, etc.
A Career-Related Project	Investigate a career by working in the field with someone who is currently employed in the area and produce a document related to that field such as a brochure, guide, or pamphlet, etc.
A Technology Project	Develop a home page on the World Wide Web, create a video game, build a robot, draw blue prints, energy exploration, 3-D animation, etc.

4. THE PORTFOLIO

Your portfolio will contain completed paperwork that has been compiled throughout the Senior Project process.

5. THE PRESENTATION

A presentation of three-five minutes will be given to a board of judges. A community open house will be held for project presentations along with a talent show for performing arts projects.



**LEGAL REFERENCE: IDAPA 08.02.03.105.04 Rules of the Board Governing Education**

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